

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing method of recording or accumulating job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus connectable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus;

- a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with a driver which generates data of the issued job; and

- a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

2. An information processing method of recording or accumulating job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus connectable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:

- an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus;

- a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with an output destination of a job corresponding to the job information; and

a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

3. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
5 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined in accordance with an image forming apparatus to which the job information has been issued.

4. The method according to claim 3, wherein in the  
10 determination step, the image forming apparatus to which the job information has been issued is specified in accordance with port information contained in the job information.

5. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
15 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether the output destination of the job corresponding to the job information is the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus.

20 6. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the determination step, a driver which has issued the job information is specified in accordance with driver information contained in the job information.

7. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the  
25 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether the job information acquired in the acquisition step

coincides with a condition contained in a non-recording target database prepared in advance.

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein  
the non-recording target database contains  
5 non-recording port information not to be recorded or  
accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or  
accumulate the job information is determined on the  
basis of whether port information contained in the job  
10 information acquired in the acquisition step is the  
non-recording port information.

9. The method according to claim 7, wherein  
the non-recording target database contains  
non-recording driver information not to be recorded or  
15 accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or  
accumulate the job information is determined on the  
basis of whether driver information contained in the  
job information acquired in the acquisition step is the  
20 non-recording driver information.

10. The method according to claim 7, further  
comprising a registration step of registering in the  
non-recording target database a condition of job  
information not to be recorded or accumulated.

25 11. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the  
determination step, whether to record or accumulate the  
job information is determined on the basis of whether

the job information acquired in the acquisition step coincides with a condition contained in a recording database prepared in advance.

12. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the  
5 recording/accumulation step, the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded is recorded in a database in a searchable format.

13. The method according to claim 1, wherein in the  
10 recording/accumulation step, job information determined in the determination step to be accumulated is extracted and accumulated from pieces of acquired job information, and grasp of the number of output pages or charging of an output job is performed.

14. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
15 determination step, whether to record or accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether the job information acquired in the acquisition step coincides with a condition contained in a non-recording target database prepared in advance.

20 15. The method according to claim 14, wherein the non-recording target database contains non-recording port information not to be recorded or accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or  
25 accumulate the job information is determined on the basis of whether port information contained in the job information acquired in the acquisition step is the

non-recording port information.

16. The method according to claim 14, wherein  
the non-recording target database contains  
non-recording driver information not to be recorded or  
5 accumulated, and

in the determination step, whether to record or  
accumulate the job information is determined on the  
basis of whether driver information contained in the  
job information acquired in the acquisition step is the  
10 non-recording driver information.

17. The method according to claim 14, further  
comprising a registration step of registering in the  
non-recording target database a condition of job  
information not to be recorded or accumulated.

18. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
determination step, whether to record or accumulate the  
job information is determined on the basis of whether  
the job information acquired in the acquisition step  
coincides with a condition contained in a recording  
15 database prepared in advance.

19. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
recording/accumulation step, the job information  
determined in the determination step to be recorded is  
recorded in a database in a searchable format.

20. The method according to claim 2, wherein in the  
recording/accumulation step, job information determined  
in the determination step to be accumulated is

extracted and accumulated from pieces of acquired job information, and grasp of the number of output pages or charging of an output job is performed.

21. An information processing server which records or  
5 accumulates job information on a job issued to an image forming apparatus from an information processing client connected to a network, comprising:

acquisition means for acquiring the job  
information from the information processing client or  
10 the image forming apparatus;

determination means for determining whether to  
record the job information acquired by said acquisition  
means, in accordance with a driver which generates data  
of the issued job; and

15 recording/accumulation means for recording or  
accumulating the job information determined by said  
determination means to be recorded or accumulated.

22. An information processing server which records or  
accumulates job information on a job issued to an image  
20 forming apparatus from an information processing client connected to a network, comprising:

acquisition means for acquiring the job  
information from the information processing client or  
the image forming apparatus;

25 determination means for determining whether to  
record or accumulate the job information acquired by  
said acquisition means, in accordance with an output

destination of a job corresponding to the job  
information; and

recording/accumulation means for recording or  
accumulating the job information determined by said  
5 determination means to be recorded or accumulated.

23. An information processing system including:

an information processing client which issues a  
job to an image forming apparatus that forms an image  
in accordance with a received job; and

10 an information processing server which records  
job information on a job issued from the information  
processing client to the image forming apparatus,

wherein the information processing server  
comprises

15 a non-recording target database which stores a  
condition for job information not to be recorded,

means for registering or deleting the condition  
in or from the non-recording target database, and

transfer means for transferring the non-recording  
20 target database to the information processing client,  
and

the information processing client comprises

determination means for determining whether to  
transmit the job information to the information  
25 processing server by looking up the non-recording  
target database transferred from the information  
processing server, and

transmission means for transmitting the job information determined by said determination means to be transmitted.

24. The system according to claim 23, wherein  
5 the information processing client further comprises

a non-recording target database which stores a condition for job information not to be recorded, and means for registering or deleting the condition  
10 in or from the non-recording target database, and the information processing server further comprises merge means for merging the non-recording target database in the information processing client and the non-recording target database in the  
15 information processing server.

25. A program for managing job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus to an image forming apparatus, wherein the program causes a computer to execute

20 an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus,

a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in  
25 the acquisition step, in accordance with a driver which generates data of the issued job, and

a recording/accumulation step of recording or



accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.

26. A program for managing job information on a job issued from an information processing apparatus to an  
5 image forming apparatus, wherein the program causes a computer to execute

an acquisition step of acquiring the job information from the information processing apparatus or the image forming apparatus,

10 a determination step of determining whether to record or accumulate the job information acquired in the acquisition step, in accordance with an output destination of a job corresponding to the job information, and

15 a recording/accumulation step of recording or accumulating the job information determined in the determination step to be recorded or accumulated.